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## Remember Carrizal.

Although the reports are not yet accepted by the government as fully conclusive, the evidence seems to be sufficient to justify the conviction that the affair of Carrizal was nothing less than an atrocious massacre. Two troops of the Tenth Cavalry, numbering nearly a hundred men, were surrounded by an overwhelming force under circumstances of the utmost duplicity and treachery, and deliberately destroyed. Only twenty-seven men are known to have escaped death or imprisonment. The Americans are reported to have fought with the utmost bravery, but there was no possibility of victory or of success. They were given no warning of attack; they were given no opportunity to surrender. They would, no doubt, have refused to surrender, but even the chance was denied them. The time occupied by a conference between the commanding officers was used to extend the lines of the Mexican forces upon both flanks of the little band of Americans, and at the conclusion of the parley, fire was opened with machine guns and rifles. No one knows yet how many were killed. No one yet knows how many wounded were left to die in the desert. Twenty-four are reported by the Mexicans to have been captured and taken to Chihuahua there to be spit upon by the populace. The rest is silence.

And now what are we to do? Washington dispatches state that our government will probably make demand that the butchery at Carrizal, and the equally treacherous and dishonorable attack at Mazatlan, "be avenged." The Mexican forces were regularly enrolled forces, under the command of a recognized general of the Carranza administration. Are we to "negotiate" over such a matter as "his"? Are we to accept the assurance of Carranza, if offered, and smile at the errors of the poor, benighted Mexicans? Or shall we propose a joint commission for the investigation of the episode? Surely there is no true American whose blood does not boil with indignation at the mere suggestion of any other course than immediate and complete reparation. This is no time for exchange of felicitous communications. This is no time for the punctilious courtesies of diplomacy. This is no time for counting and analyzing the drops of blood shed at Carrizal. It is a time for action. It is time for the mailed fist. It is time for a blow that will compel Mexico to remember Carrizal as we remember it.

## An Important Ruling.

Judge Frank P. Divilbiss, of the Clay county circuit court, has just handed down an unusually important decision in connection with the Webb-Kenyon law prohibiting the delivery of intoxicating liquors into "dry" territory in the course of interstate commerce. As this is the first time this law has been construed by a Missouri court, the decision will be of unusual legal prominence and will serve as a precedent, at least until reviewed by a higher court. It was prompted by the application of the prosecuting attorney of Clay county for an injunction against the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railroad restraining it from delivering intoxicating liquors to any person in Clay county, a local option territory. The injunction was denied and the gist of the decision is contained in the following closing paragraphs:

It is alleged that the defendants, their agents and employees, are knowingly and willingly delivering intoxicating liquors in the local option districts of this county to known bootleggers and keepers of blind tigers and other disreputable places, well knowing the unlawful purposes to which such liquors are to be put. If such be the fact, then I would say to the state: "Stretch forth thine hand; lay hold of these alleged bootleggers on wheels; arraign them at the bar of justice; try, convict and punish them as any other violator of the law and all need for injunctive relief will immediately disappear."

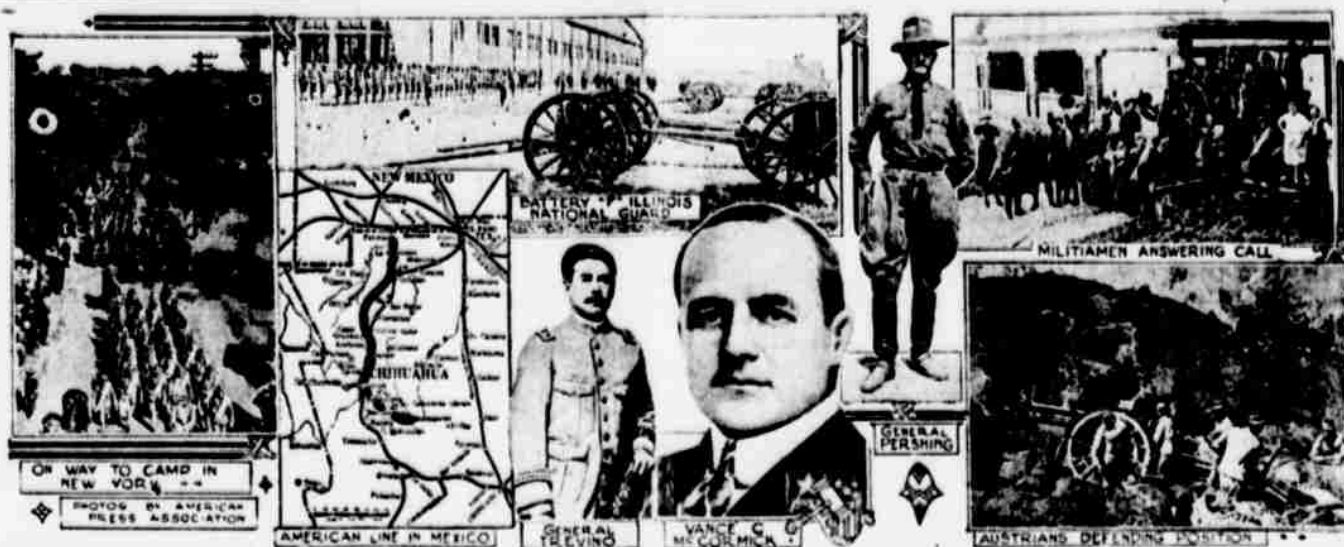
"That such course would be efficacious and abate the unlawful practices herein complained of, is well attested by the fact that the mere indictment of the receivers of the Wabash Railroad Company put an end to the illegal sale of liquors on its dining cars and brought forth a solemn written promise by the heads of that great railway system to the judge of this court that never again should intoxicating liquor be dispensed on their dining cars in this state so long as grass grows and water runs. Viewed from any angle, it appears that the prayer for injunction ought to be and is heretofore denied and the plaintiff's bill is dismissed."

## Real Preparedness.

President's Wilson's call to the nation's militia was issued late Sunday June 18. Late Monday evening, Captain Carter, of Company L, 4th Regiment, received orders to "line up" his men and be ready to move his men to Nevada. Wednesday evening the orders were received, and on Thursday, June 22, Capt. Carter entrained his company for Nevada.

There were no contingencies, no "ifs," no delays, no hindrances. The company was ready; not a rookie or an officer failed to respond. Here is a splendid example of preparedness, and Capt. Carter and his officers, as well as his men, are to be congratulated.

—Will Greiner, wife and two daughters, Miss Ruby and Miss Leona, of Cook, Nebraska, were here for a few days, this week, the guests of relatives.



## News Snapshots Of the Week

Pershing to move no farther. Mobilization of the militia continued rapidly. Pushing forward, the Russians captured Czernowitz, the stronghold the Austrians took last year. Lemberg was then threatened by the czar. As a successor to William F. McCombs the president chose Vance C. McCormick, former mayor of Harrisburg, Pa., as chairman of the Democratic national committee.

## Highway Improvements.

The following work on the highways of the county was reported by County Highway Engineer Peret as being finished last week: The 36-foot timber bridge at the Burr Oak school house, 4 miles northwest of Forest City, where overflow water from the Squaw Creek ditch cut across the county road in emptying into the Missouri River; the 24-foot timber bridge, at the Mrs. Lena Gordon farm, three-fourths of a mile northwest of Forest City, where overflow water from Kinney Creek and Squaw Creek ditch crosses the road; the concrete walls and dirt fill, at the John Mark farm, 1 1/2 miles east of Oregon; the south approach of the John Turney bridge, over Kinney Creek, 2 miles northwest of Forest City, which was taken out by the flood of last Thursday night.

The rain of last Thursday night washed out the Wm. Caten bridge on Squaw Creek ditch, 3 1/2 miles west of Mound City; the 22-foot bridge at Mineral Springs, east of Mound City, which is now being built by J. D. Thompson; the Butzer bridge, 7 miles northwest of Mound City; and the ends and approaches of several other bridges in the county. The legs of the steel bridge, at the Ed Castel farm, over Kinney Creek, 3 miles northeast of Forest City, were nearly washed out.

J. D. Thompson has completed the concrete bridge at the Sam Proud farm, 1 1/4 miles east of Mound City. E. E. Williams is putting in concrete walls at the W. D. Dunnahoo culvert, 3 miles north of Craig. He will begin work next on the Wm. Nauman culvert, 6 1/2 miles northeast of Craig. Geo. Burger's work on the Ed Shall concrete culvert, 7 1/4 miles southeast of Mound City, is progressing nicely. The County Engineer's pile driver crew is building a 40-foot bridge at the W. E. Richardson farm, three-fourths of a mile southwest of Forest City, this week. From there he will move the crew to the Walter Meyer farm, 3 miles northeast of Forest City, and from there to the Will Trimmer and Squire Smith bridges. J. D. Thompson has moved his crew to the Gilliland work, 4 1/4 miles northwest of Maitland.

Fred Hurst has the job of filling over the Mart Moody culvert 4 miles northwest of Maitland. The west end of the big steel bridge at the Wellman farm, 4 miles southwest of Craig, has been cut in again by Big Tarkio Drainage ditch. The county has already added two aprons to the west end of this bridge, and it now appears that unless something is done to stop the cutting of the ditch that it will be impossible to maintain a bridge there.

## Keeping Up the Reputation.

That's a great bunch of kids—the Petree children. When any thing is doing in the "jam-up" line, it seems so easy for some one of them to get theirs, and as a general rule they don't make much noise about it either—they just tell pa to call a doctor to bring out some sheet tin and some lumber to make into "splints." When much younger than now, Miss Lou had one of her limbs broken; Jay has had his leg and arm broken and while Charley some time ago had his collar bone broken, he concluded things were growing a little monotonous about home, so he just had his arm broken, Monday of this week, while picking cherries at the Rev. Anderson residence. He just fell out of the tree instead of going down the ladder. He insists that it is Leo's turn now.

## Concrete Walls Collapsed.

The side walls of the concrete culvert at the Landon Thompson farm, 3 miles northeast of Mound City, built in 1911, have collapsed, and a temporary bridge has been placed there to accommodate the mail carrier.

—G. W. Cummins is modernizing his already handsome home. Mechanics are at work putting in furnace, toilet, bath, etc.

## The Methodist Revival.

Three weeks have come and gone since these meetings began and the membership of the church has been greatly benefited, and the results have been enjoyed by many in the other churches as well.

Sunday was a throng day. Thirty-two people attended prayer meeting at 6 o'clock in the morning, a splendid congregation greeted Mrs. Cress at the morning service, following the Sunday school, with an attendance of 160. An old fashioned love feast was held at 3 p. m., which was well attended and a season of great benefit, and at night the house would not accommodate the crowd. Up to the time of this writing (Wednesday morning) there have been quite a large number of persons who have professed, conversion, reclamation or the experience of sanctification. Judged by the testimonies given on Sunday, not less than 70 all told, although no records of numbers have been kept.

Splendid meetings were held Monday and Tuesday nights, and the meetings from that time on will be announced from night to night, but will close Sunday night at the latest. All are urged to make the most of the opportunities while they last. J. W. ANDERSON, Pastor.

## Society.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred C. Philbrick entertained with a 6 o'clock dinner, Thursday evening of last week, in compliment to Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Moore, Yellow and green were the prevailing colors. Covers were laid for ten.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Dawson entertained a few friends with a picnic party, complimentary to Mr. and Mrs. Will Moore. The guests spent the evening in the Schlottzauer grove, near town, and finished the evening with an auto ride.

Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Philbrick entertained a few relatives at dinner, Tuesday, the occasion being the wedding anniversary of herself, her mother, Mrs. G. H. Price and her sister, Mrs. H. W. Caskey, of St. Joseph. In the evening the guests were invited to Mrs. Price's home and upon reaching there were greeted by a few relatives and intimate friends, who had planned a surprise for Mrs. Price. Pleasant refreshments were served.

—Miss Virginia Netherland presided at the piano, at the Royal, Monday night, for the play, "The Trail of the Lonesome Pine."

—James Donovan, of St. Joseph, is here enjoying a visit with his daughter, Mrs. Scott Hodgins, and that dear bunch of grandchildren.

## A Proclamation

Whereas, our city has made no arrangements for the celebration of our National Independence, July 4th, chiefly because of the expectation that the street paving would be well under course of construction at the time and

Whereas, recent international events of grave character involving the invasion of our country and the murder of our citizens, it is well at this time to review the past, and apply its lessons dispassionately, but courageously; candidly, but with vigor and patriotism. To this end, therefore, I urge and request that all citizens display the National Colors conspicuously about their homes and places of business on Tuesday, July 4th, and whether we celebrate with our neighboring cities or remain quietly at home, let us again resolve that the old flag shall forever wave as the symbol of freedom and order, not only along the Rio Grande, but wherever American citizens do it homage.

GEO. R. MURRAY, Mayor.



## Will Commence Paving Soon.

W. Jaicks, of the A. Jaicks Paving Co., of Kansas City, who have the contract for the asphaltum-concrete streets, around the square and connecting streets, was in town, Tuesday of this week, looking over the ground, preparatory to commencing work in a few days. Part of their machinery, etc., is already here. While here he also contracted with Curtis Whitmer for all of the crushed rock that he could supply. Mr. Jaicks says they have been rather handicapped since the Mexican trouble has assumed such a serious aspect—four of their best men from their office being members of the N. G. M., and were called to Nevada. Rhinehart Brothers Paving Company, of St. Joseph, are getting along fine with their work, and have the curbing in on Washington Street nearly to the depot.

## The Rainstorm.

On the night of June 23d an unusually heavy rain fell all over the county, inflicting much damage particularly to the bottom sections of our county. At this station the rainfall measured 2.50 inches. At Mound City it was 2.3 inches. The water from Kinney took out some of the railroad track south of the Kinney bridge, at the Fitzmaurice place, and the water was over the platform at the Forest City depot. Owing to the track damage near Skidmore, the Villisca train was abandoned, and the main line trains were out of schedule time several hours.

The total rainfall up to this date, June 29th, is 6.20 inches. In June, 1915, we had 6.75 inches, and the heaviest 24-hour rainfall was 2.10 on the 17th.

## An Enjoyable Meet.

The members of Meyer Post had a most enjoyable meeting at the home of their comrade Daniel Kunkel, Sr., on Saturday afternoon last, June 24.

The home was nicely decorated for the occasion, and 22 of the "old boys" answered roll call. Mr. and Mrs. Kunkel are a jolly and cordial pair, and they made the visit of the members of the post a most enjoyable one, and one that will not soon be forgotten.

The Post transacted its regular business, and were then seated at tables and were served with a most delicious two-course luncheon by Mrs. Kunkel, who was graciously assisted by Mrs. Amanda Dungan, Mrs. F. S. Rootzok, Mrs. Flo. Kunkel and Miss Rose Kunkel.

## After One Year.

After being confined to her home for a year, from the effects of severe burns received June 24 1915, Mrs. Floyd Hughes, of the Culp district, was able to visit at the home of Ed Nargans and wife, Sunday last, in company with her husband and mother-in-law Mrs. Tom Hughes. She has to use a wheeled chair in getting around, but is now improving, and it is hoped by her many friends that she will soon be able to get around without the use of a chair.

## W. M. Coffin Dead.

In our issue of June 16, 1916, we published the account of a serious accident, which befell a former townsman, worthy M. Coffin, in the Bad Lands, near Gering, Neb., June 4, in which Mr. Coffin's back was broken, and very small hopes were entertained for his recovery. Tuesday evening of this week, June 27, he died. He leaves a wife and five children. We have no further particulars at hand, but hope for an obituary next week.

—Giles Cooper has returned from Colorado, where he passed the past winter.

—New Dickson, wife and family visited in Oregon and vicinity last Saturday and Sunday, with relatives and friends.

—We are sorry to hear that Will Tillery who has been with the Keever-Bragg Auto Company will leave with his wife, some time this week, for Boulder, Colorado. The couple made many friends while here.

—The many friends of E. W. Headley and Nathan Smith were glad indeed to see them in town last Saturday. They have both been very feeble for many months. Being veterans, they attended the meeting of Meyer Post.

—M. H. Rayhill, a former resident of near New Point, but who has been living in Ontario, California, for several years, has our sincerest thanks for a box of fine oranges, raised by him on his fruit farm. They were certainly fine.

—James Brohan conductor on the Great Western railway, with headquarters at Conception, Mo., and Des Moines, Iowa, was here for a few days, this week, the guest of his parents, Hugh Brohan, wife and family, of the Mayflower district.

—Among those who attended "The Little Minister," at the Lyceum, in St. Joseph, Friday evening of last week, were: Mr. and Mrs. Guy L. Cummins, Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Raley, Mr. and Mrs. Howard S. Teare, Dr. H. B. Allen, Hugh Pennell and James Rootzok.

—James Colhour, while assisting in setting a light pole, Tuesday of this week, met with an accident that came close to getting his right eye. The pole in being put in place swung over and broke an insulator on another pole, a part of it striking Jim on the right cheek in its fall, and cutting quite a gash. Dr. J. F. Chandler at once fixed him up, and he is now all right.

## County School Notes.

The entertainment given at Fortescue for the benefit of the "piano fund" was a decided success in every particular. Mr. John Slater, president of the school board of Consolidated District No. 3, presided in his usual suave, dignified manner. Those participating were: Mrs. Byron Hinkle and her two daughters, Misses Alpha and Edith; Mr. Madison, of St. Joseph; Judge VanCamp; Miss Thatchner, of Oregon; Miss Muggs; Minton and the county superintendent.

Consolidated District, No. 3, has great cause to be proud of her new high school building. Last week State Superintendent Gass came all the way from Jefferson City to approve it. He expressed his approval in the highest terms. As the high school building of a rural consolidated school, it has not its superior in the state.

The teachers who have been selected to do duty in this building for the coming year are: Mr. T. D. Glaze, high school; Miss Shinar, grammar; Miss Tracy, Blaines, intermediate; Miss Helen Thatcher, primary.

The reports sent in by the district clerks show that there are in Holt county 4119 white children, between the ages of 6 and 20, 2,008 being girls and 2,111 being boys. There are 21 colored children, 10 boys and 11 girls, all living in Oregon, with the exception of one girl, who lives in Forest City.

President Richardson, of the Maryville Normal, sends me the following names of teachers as being enrolled from Holt county for the summer term in the Normal: Flora Andes, Elvera Bertram, Emma Bertram, Tracy Blaines, Kate Brodbeck, Mayne Burks, Bertha Champlin, Gladys Criswell, Valle Deglow, Mary Dunnahoo, Mary Ellen Fitzmaurice, William H. Gillis, Mayme Greene, Helen Huston, May Huston, Adeline Jamison, Anne C. Kinzie, Kathryn McKee, Niah Meadows, Hortense L. Morris, Nellie Overly, Elsie Park, Byrd V. Peret, Edna Williams, Lela Williams, Hazel Womack Minnie Zelfiff.

ALBERTA GREEN-MURPHY, County Superintendent.

## Sunday School Convention.

Following are the proceedings of the Forbes Township Sunday School convention, which was held at the Monarch school house, Sunday, June 25. There was a grand, good time from the start to the finish.

First on the program was Rev. Garrett in his opening address, with the Sunday school as a missionary, as a theme.

Next was the big cat. After order was restored, Mrs. Fitzmaurice lectured to the parents specially, telling them that they were the builders of the nation's future.

Rev. Nichols told us what use the pastor is to the Sunday school, and also how he could become a detriment, and he told it well.

Frank Sahlin gave us his views on how to get and keep the boys and made us believe he was right about it. Miss Josephine Murray showed us how to handle the little tots and keep them interested.

Mrs. Fitzmaurice then gave us a splendid talk on keeping the boys and girls from doing bad things, by keeping them busy at good things.

Officers elected for the ensuing year were: L. R. Cunningham, president; Miss Jennie Metcalf, vice-president; David Allen, secretary.

The songs we sang were the old-stand-bys that everybody knows. Rev. Garrett concluded the program with a short talk.

## Expensive Trip.

Oscar Hill, of Forest City, isn't much of a financier. The fare from Forest City to St. Joseph is only 58 cents. Oscar jumped on a locomotive, Saturday night last, and got a free ride, but when he got off at the Francis street depot, he was picked up by a railroad detective. Sheriff Gelvin went after him, brought him back, and on Monday, Justice Wilson said to him, "45 and costs," which meant Oscar paid \$14.10 for the ride, instead of buying a ticket from Ed Boyd for 58 cents.